IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA ASHEVILLE DIVISION 1:23-cv-00172-MR-WCM

BEVERLY WILLIAMS)	
)	
Plaintiff,)	
v.)	\mathbf{ORDER}
)	
BIOMET, INC.)	
doing business as)	
Zimmer Biomet,)	
ZIMMER BIOMET)	
DISTRIBUTION LLC;)	
ZIMMER BIOMET)	
HOLDINGS, INC.;)	
BIOMET)	
ORTHOPEDICS, LLC;)	
BIOMET U.S.)	
RECONSTRUCTION, LLC; and)	
ENCORE MEDICAL, L.P.;)	
)	
Defendants.)	

This matter is before the Court on the parties' joint oral motion for the entry of a protective order, which was made during an initial pretrial conference on September 18, 2023.

The Motion is **GRANTED**, and the parties' proposed procedures (Doc. 22-1) for the handling of information and materials that are produced during discovery are **ENDORSED**, subject to the following limitation: to the extent Confidential Information is provided to the Court or appears on the Court's docket, the disposition of such information may be subject to a final order of

the Court upon the conclusion of the litigation.

It is so ordered.

Signed: September 18, 2023

W. Carleton Metcalf

United States Magistrate Judge